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Empress Street at Ellice Avenue has closed to accommodate construction work. It will fully reopen to all traffic on Friday night.

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BALLET BONUS

Ballet-goers heading to RWB's Going Home Star — Truth and Reconciliation will also get to view an exhibit called 100 Years of Loss from Oct. 1-5 at the Centennial Concert Hall.

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GAME OF ZOMBIES?

Game of Thrones' Lena Headey and Charles Dance have signed on for the adaptation of Pride and Prejudice and Zombies, based on the 2009 modification of the Jane Austen classic.

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POST DEPOT HACK

Some lenders are preparing to reissue credit or debit cards to customers to head off possible losses following the Home Depot data breach. Capital One Financial and JPMorgan Chase & Co. said Wednesday they are assigning new cards.

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DR. MOSQUITO

Brazilian researchers have freed a batch of mosquitoes injected with a dengue-blocking bacteria they hope can combat the tropical disease naturally. The scientists are taking part in a global project to release the mosquitoes.

Jets defending Steen's appearance at Fan Fest

Facing assault charges.
Scotiabank cuts ties
with Jets legend

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The Winnipeg Jets have defended Thomas Steen's participation in the team's Fan Fest event last weekend, despite the recent focus on domestic violence issues in sport and outstanding charges against the former Jet and current city councillor.

However, one of the event's sponsors is cutting its ties with the hockey legend.

Steen, whose jersey was retired by the original Jets, is facing charges of assault and uttering threats related to an alleged domestic incident that happened last May.

He was subsequently arrested in July for allegedly breaching a no-contact order. None of the charges have been proven in court.

Steen appeared at the

Policy

The collective bargaining agreement between the NHL and its players association includes a clause to suspend players facing criminal charges if it "would create a substantial risk of material harm to the legitimate interests and/or reputation of the League."

family-friendly carnival last Saturday at the MTS Iceplex, signing autographs in a Scotiabank tent. His appearance was co-ordinated by the bank and the NHL Alumni Association.

"Our policy towards domestic abuse is in line with the National Hockey League's. It is important to allow the legal process to play itself out before rushing to judgment," said Scott Brown, Jets spokesperson.

"Thomas has been proven neither guilty nor innocent."

But Scotiabank and the NHL Alumni Association said they were unaware of the charges.



Thomas Steen signing autographs at the Winnipeg Jets Fan Fest on Sept. 20. COLIN FAST/FOR METRO

"Scotiabank believes domestic violence is completely unacceptable and goes against all of our values as an organization," said Sheena Findlay, spokesperson for Scotiabank.

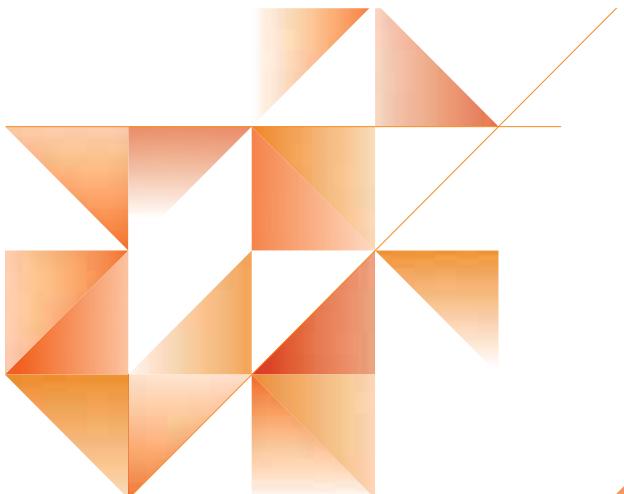
"In light of these allegations

we will no longer be working with Mr. Steen and will re-evaluate once the legal proceedings have been resolved."

Dylan Wade, spokesperson for the NHL Alumni Association, echoed Findlay's com-

ments. "We are currently looking into the situation that faces Thomas to find more information."

Steen declined to comment for this story. His next court date is set for Sept. 29.



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MAYORAL CANDIDATES SHARE IDEAS

Judy Wasylycia-Leis: More affordable housing units needed in Winnipeg

Judy Wasylycia-Leis said on Wednesday she wants to create more affordable housing units in Winnipeg by giving developers a break.

During a campaign announcement at a public housing development on William Avenue, the mayoral candidate said the city could spur the creation of similar projects by donating land, waiving development fees and expanding the use of tax increment financing.

She also suggested city planners could identify target neighbourhoods for new affordable housing projects, and pre-zone the land to speed up the development process.

While Wasylycia-Leis claimed her housing strategy "doesn't really cost the city any money," she acknowledged the city would forsake significant amounts of new revenue.



Judy Wasylycia-Leis has introduced a strategy to build more affordable housing units. COLIN FAST/FOR METRO

"I'm not going to ignore the needs of the people of this city," she explained. "The city must do its part to reduce the economic, social and human costs of homelessness and poverty."

She said she also wants to improve living conditions in affordable housing projects

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Judy Wasylycia-Leis, candidate for mayor of Winnipeg

by more aggressively enforcing regulations and bylaws.

While housing issues are typically the responsibility of the provincial government, Wasylycia-Leis said the city needs to "take an active role in developing policies that give households of all income levels a variety of options."

She said much of her affordable housing platform came from the city's existing planning framework, Our-Winnipeg, and from suggestions by the Right to Housing Coalition. COLIN FAST/FOR METRO



Brian Bowman says Winnipeg needs to market itself better, especially as a winter destination city. ELISHA DACEY/METRO

Brian Bowman: Increasing and investing in Winnipeg's tourism is a top priority

Mayoral candidate Brian Bowman said he wants to "aggressively" go after tourist dollars, and said he has his eye on major events like the 2023 Pan Am Games and the 2026 FIFA World Cup for the city.

"I believe we can host another Pan Am Games, possibly 2023, or even a Commonwealth Games, or be a host city for the 2026 World Cup," he said at a press conference Wednesday morning.

Bowman said the first thing he would do if elected mayor would be to make Tourism Winnipeg an independent body, and he would make sure revenues generated from the city's hotel accommodation tax

By the numbers

\$3.86

Right now, Winnipeg spends \$3.86 per capita on tourism and arts initiatives.

would be reinvested back into marketing Winnipeg, especially as a winter destination city.

Bowman said his goal is to increase tourism by 50 per cent to six million yearly visitors, and he would incrementally increase funding into tourist and arts initiatives until Winnipeg was spending \$5 per capita on these activities. Right now, Winnipeg spends \$3.86

per capita.

He said he would implement a program called the WINNIPASS, which would provide discounted access to tourist destinations, like the Winnipeg Art Gallery. "Obviously we will need to work with stakeholders to accomplish that task."

Bowman also acknowledged that the city would have to finance paying for the RBC Convention Centre expansion before plowing money into tourist promotions and marketing.

Bowman made the announcement at the Forks in front of the monument to the 1999 Pan Am Games, which Winnipeg hosted successfully.

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Gord Steeves: Reinstating EPC secretariat would mean less political interference

Winnipeg city hall's political and administrative hands need a buffer, mayoral candidate Gord Steeves said on Wednesday.

Steeves said if elected mayor, he'll resurrect executive policy committee's secretariat, which was discontinued about five years ago while he was still a councillor.

"We need more openness and less political interference," said Steeves, who voted at that time against the discontinuation.

Asked by Metro whether he felt the secretariat could have prevented the fire halls and police headquarters scandals, Steeves said, "I can't say for sure, but my concern is that the answer to that question may be yes."

"If I had to pick the single



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"We need more openness and less political interference."

Gord Steeves, candidate for mayor of Winnipeg

existed prior to (the discontinuation), I would say that was it."

Steeves said that among the practices he'd like to see "reviewed" is the walking on of reports right before meetings, since this doesn't give councillors enough time to fully absorb what they'll be voting on, and the use of in-camera.

The secretariat, added Steeves, would be in line with the "open meeting law" that's used in the U.S.

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United Fire Fighters

Union denies it violated campaign laws with JWL support

The United Fire Fighters of Winnipeg has denied accusations it violated election laws with its endorsement of Judy Wasylycia-Leis.

At a campaign rally on Monday, dozens of UFFW members wore yellow "Fire Fighters for Judy" T-shirts and held similar signs.

Union president Alex Forrest said 250 union-organized members would work for Wasylycia-Leis, and boasted of his organization's growing campaign expertise.

Rival mayoral candidate Robert-Falcon Ouellette questioned whether this support breaches the city's campaign finance laws, which forbid any financial or in-kind contribution by unions.

"If the union is spending its funds on shirts, signs and executive salaries to support Wasylycia-Leis' campaign, the amounts must be disclosed," he said in a statement on Tuesday.

In response, Forrest said the union hasn't done anything wrong.

"Every single person volunteers of their own decision and as a matter of fact we advise all volunteers of this," he explained. "We just direct our members to the candidates to work for."

"I actually don't mind him making such silly accusations as it keeps us in the media and it makes him look bush league and not informed," added Forrest.

A spokesman for Wasylycia-Leis confirmed her campaign is being invoiced for the cost of the shirts and signs.

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Councillors congratulate each other and say thank you after Wednesday's final council meeting.
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Motion calling for inquiry passes

Murdered, missing indigenous women.

Councillors vote nearly unanimously on issue at Mayor Katz's final council meeting



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It was a final day of action at city hall, and council made the most of it, wading into the issue of missing and murdered women and reversing a hit to Winnipeg drivers' wallets in time for winter.

On Wednesday, city council adopted a motion by Couns. Dan Vandal and Jenny Gerbasi that called for a public inquiry or national roundtable on missing and murdered indigenous women.

The motion was debated for about an hour, with most councillors voicing support.

At a glance

Could a water park be in Mayor Sam Katz's future?

- He left that possibility open during a scrum with Metro Winnipeg and Global News following his final council meeting on Wednesday.
- "There's a couple other things I may look into. Now that I'm back in the private sector, the No. 1 thing I get asked now is when is our

In the end, only North Kildonan Coun. Jeff Browaty voted in opposition.

Vandal said he was disappointed to not see the vote unanimous, but "Coun. Browaty has his reasons and the important part was that it was near unanimous."

"Hopefully we're not the last," said Vandal, who seconded another motion with

city going to get a world-class water park," he said. "It's something we need.... I think it's a shame that Winnipeggers have to go to other cities."

• He's also looking forward to getting back to his baseball team, the Winnipeg Goldeyes, business projects with his wife and spending more time with his family.

Mayor Sam Katz on funding for Ndinawé.

That Katz/Vandal motion, which is a \$300,000 joint effort with the provincial government that will expand drop-in hours at the youth centre, passed unanimously.

Council also voted against doubling fees for leaving a vehicle on the street during plowing.

CMHR. Only five of 11 galleries to be open Saturday at museum

Less than a week after a splashy grand opening, officials at the country's newest museum said half the galleries won't be finished when the Canadian Museum for Human Rights opens its doors to the public Saturday.

President and CEO Stuart Murray said they had intended to have all 11 galleries open

by Saturday, but that isn't possible. Only five galleries will be done when the museum welcomes the public. People will only be able to tour the museum through a choice of two 90-minute guided tours until November and are encouraged to buy their tickets online in advance. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

More Manitoba teachers and students now have access to treaty education in the classroom.

What started as a pilot project for Grades 5 and 6 in 2010 has been rolled out provincewide.

Treaty education is not mandatory in Manitoba

schools but at this point, about 700 teachers are delivering lessons in 200 different schools.

Manitoba Education Minister James Allum says the province has taken small steps toward full implementation.

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Firefighters pour water on the rubble of a townhouse-style condo unit in Crestview on Tuesday. ELSHA DACEY/METRO

Explosion sends man to hospital

Crestview. Cause of blast that destroyed ground floor unknown

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An explosion at a townhouse in Crestview sent one man to hospital in critical condition.

Firefighters were called to the scene on Apple Lane before 7 p.m. Tuesday after an explosion knocked out a wall and destroyed the first floor of a two-storey condo unit. Neighbours told Metro that a man

was found in the parking lot, badly burned.

Deputy Fire Chief Joe Seewald said he couldn't confirm that neighbours helped by covering the man with wet towels. He did confirm that a man was taken to hospital in critical condition with second- and third-degree burns. He is now listed as being in stable condition.

Emergency personnel also rescued a dog from one of the units. The animal was unharmed. No one else was home at the time.

Seewald said it's likely the building, which contains three townhouse-style condo units, will have to be torn down.

"We might be able to save the (farthest) unit on the end," he said. On Wednesday morning, half the townhouse unit had been pulled down.

He said it was too early to determine a cause, but neighbours said the man had been working to strip floors in his basement. Damage was later estimated at \$450,000.

Hundreds of neighbours watched in awe as firefighters continued to pour water on the blaze through the evening. One neighbour started a collection for the family of the victim, who was identified by MGEU as local paramedic Corey Schroeder.

Critics seek answers after cost for hydro line doubles

Manitoba's Opposition Tories and other groups called for an investigation Wednesday into the spiralling \$4.6-billion cost of a major energy project.

The Tories called for the auditor general's office to investigate why the price tag for the Bipole Three hydro transmission line has more than doubled since 2007, when it was first estimated at \$2.2 billion. The Tories also said a probe is needed to find out how long the government has known the true cost.

The Manitoba Liberal Party, the Canadian Taxpayers Federation and a coalition of landowners along the transmission-line route also back an investigation.

Manitoba Hydro announced last week that the cost of the project had jumped, mostly due to higher-than-expected costs for converters needed along the line.

The Canadian Taxpayers Federation first raised concerns in 2009, citing leaked Manitoba Hydro documents,

but officials at the Crown corporation rejected the idea at the time.

"There needs to be accountability here. There's a history here of Hydro knowing some things behind closed doors," said federation spokesman Colin Craig.

The minister responsible for Manitoba Hydro, Stan Struthers, said Wednesday the higher costs only came to light over the summer as bids came in on the project.

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Don't try this with the real bears. Please.

Bob Williams, second from right, and his family surround the new bronze polar bear sculpture he donated to Assiniboine Park Zoo. Created by Manitoba artist Peter Sawatzky, it was unveiled Wednesday. COURTESY CHRIS.D.CA



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STYLE AND FABRIC CONSULTATION



More court documents relating to Toronto Mayor Rob Ford, seen here in April, were released Wednesday and are anchored by two apparent interviews Toronto police had with the mayor's sister, Kathy Ford. GEOFF ROBINS/AFP/GETTY IMAGES FILE

Police files detail night of 2nd video

Project Brazen 2.

New police documents recount the night the alleged second crack video was shot, suspect's phone sought

Newly released documents show Rob Ford's sister told police the Toronto mayor was smoking crack cocaine with her in late April in the company of a drug dealer and a friend of Ford's who is facing criminal charges.

Inadmissible evidence

G20 cop acquitted of wrongdoing

A police officer convicted of one assault related to the violence-marred G20 summit in Toronto four years ago was acquitted Wednesday in a second case because the only evidence against him was ruled inadmissible.

As a result, the prosecution presented no evidence against Const. Babak Andalib-Goortani, who was charged with using a weapon to assault a blogger. The constable still faces internal misconduct hearings for using excessive force against the protester. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

The documents, filed with a court by police to obtain a search warrant, say Kathy Ford was interviewed by investigators after reports surfaced last May of a second video allegedly showing the mayor smoking crack.

Police say Kathy Ford told them her brother arrived at her house "intoxicated" but not "high," and that he was drinking and play-fighting with Alexander Lisi, who was never hurt. Ford also told police a man named Michael "Jugga" James sold drugs to her and her brother.

Released Wednesday by a

judge, the documents indicate that police believe the second video was recorded April 26 by James, leading police to request a search warrant for three cellphones belonging to James, believing they will find video and audio that may provide evidence of drug possession by Ford and both drug trafficking and drug possession by James.

The allegations stem from Project Brazen 2, a police investigation surrounding the Toronto mayor, and have not been proven in court.

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Surrey, B.C. Ex-convict accused of killing teen had worried about reoffending

Documents reveal that a man accused of killing a 17-year-old British Columbia girl told a parole board in 2008 that he was worried he would harm someone else if he was ever released from prison.

Just months before Raymond Caissie's sentence was complete, in March 2013 a parole board refused to release him, saying he was of moderate to high risk to reoffend violently and sexually.

Documents dating back eight years show Caissie,

who's now 43 years old, told the board that he was afraid of returning to society because he didn't have the skills to live on his own, had never held a job and worried about harming someone.

After serving a 22-year sentence for sexually assaulting a woman in Abbotsford, B.C., he was released in June 2013.

He now faces a second-degree murder charge in the death of Serena Vermeersch, 17, whose body was found last week in Surrey, B.C.

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Double life: When Holly met Holly

'Email doppelgangers.'

Two women — one Canadian and one American — share a name and, as it turns out, much more

 MIKE
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Metro in London, Ont.

They have the same name. They're the same age. They're both gay. They have the same creative passion. They're both poets, and there's something profound in their story.

Meet Holly Painter, 29, and, er, Holly Painter, 29, the unconnected women who have spookily similar lives.

They call themselves "email doppelgangers" because they get each other's messages. They have similar website addresses. People confuse them, even in face-to-face interactions, and it got so weird that eventually the pair met to have a laugh



American Holly Painter, left, and Canadian Holly Painter are "email doppelgangers." MIKE DONACHIE/METRO IN LONDON, ONT.

about it.

The two women are from opposite sides of the U.S.-Canada border, but, meeting Wednesday, they chatted like old friends and even finished each other's sentences.

Here's how it all started. "One of my friends said

he really loved my poem on female genital mutilation," said the American Painter, who's from Detroit, but lives in Singapore. "Um, what? That's not the sort of thing you forget writing about. So I went and looked around and I found Holly."

The pair met for the first time over breakfast in London, Ont., where the Canadian Painter lives. Her counterpart was passing through on a research trip for a book she's writing.

During their chat, the American Painter tells of

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"What struck me is the fact that technology is this connecting tool." The Canadian Holly Painter

an encounter with someone who complimented her on a stage performance she never gave. It turned out to have been the Canadian Painter. That's even weirder because, whatever the similarities, the women don't look alike.

But, even as they talk, they find more things they share. Each volunteers with kids. Each has a younger brother. Each has a day job in publishing. They talk over one another's laughter as the matches are made.

"I guess it's a little surreal," says the Canadian Painter. "I suppose it's not totally surprising that someone has the same name ..."

"... but all the other similarities as well, it's a bit bizarre," her doppelganger finishes.

They don't even notice how closely meshed their speech patterns are, until

it's pointed out.

"What struck me," continues the Canadian Painter, "is the fact that technology is this connecting tool."

"We're poets as well, so poetry for me is a way to connect to other people. Generally, I would do that in person, but we were able to find each other online."

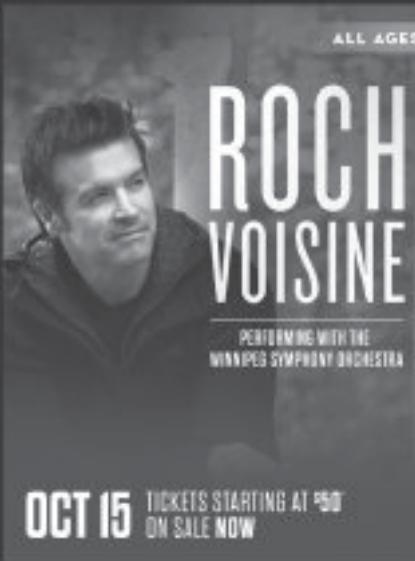
And the two friends have made a decision. There's no alternative: They have to make poetry together.

"I was thinking there must be other people out there who are email doppelgangers," the Canadian Painter explains. "I was thinking, there must be something else I can do to get a poetry project in the works."

At least we know their names will rhyme. It doesn't get quainter than two Holly Painters.

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N.S. man charged with breaching publication ban in sex-assault case

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"If a publication ban is in effect, you don't name the victim, period."

Halifax resident Nicole Pettipas, who filed a complaint with police about the alleged breach

Charges have been laid in connection with a Facebook post that allegedly breached a publication ban in a recent high-profile sexual-assault case in Halifax.

Const. Pierre Bourdages said Wednesday that a 62-year-old Dartmouth, N.S., man was served with a notice to appear in court in connection with a Facebook post that included the name of the young woman that the accused, Halifax lawyer Lyle Howe, has been convicted of assaulting.

"There are orders issued by the court for protection of the victims, of their name and identity," said Bourdages. "Unfortunately an individual decided that they would post the information even though there was a publication ban."

The post in question appeared in a support group for Howe shortly after he was sentenced in late July to three years in prison for sexual assault.

"It was my hope that ... through our efforts as a support group, we would prove Lyle's innocence," reads the post, which was reproduced in screenshots on Reddit and Twitter — with the complainant's name redacted.

"That his one-nite fling with (the complainant) was consensual ... and that Lyle would be vindicated."

Howe testified during his trial that he'd had consensual sex with the victim after an evening of drinking in March 2011, but the Crown argued that the woman was too impaired to provide consent.

Howe is appealing his conviction.

Bourdages said police

launched an investigation into the alleged breach after receiving several complaints about it.

Halifax resident Nicole Pettipas filed one of those complaints, saying Wednesday she was impressed with how seriously police investigators took the issue — and "really pleased" to see charges laid.

"I'm just glad that message is out there; if a publication ban is in effect, you don't name the victim, period," Pettipas said. "Don't get smart and publish names just because you're upset."

"And victims will see that and know that they're protected."

RUTH DAVENPORT/METRO IN HALIFAX

Wish you could get groceries at a drive-thru?

Well, stop wishing.

Loblaw will test a program that lets customers buy items online, then have them loaded into their cars outside grocery stores

Loblaw Companies Ltd. is preparing to pilot a grocery click-and-collect program, which will allow shoppers to order online and pick up their completed order at stores.

A Loblaws store in Richmond Hill, Ont., has been set up with a bright orange click-and-collect area that includes assigned parking. Customers will be able to have the groceries they chose and paid for online loaded into their vehicles.

Loblaw announced earlier this year that it would pilot a click-and-collect program,

but provided few details. A company spokesperson declined to elaborate on Tuesday, although he did confirm that Richmond Hill will be the first location to offer the new service.

"The service is not yet available to the public, but we're excited by the prospect of offering busy customers another option to complete their shopping, saving considerable time in the process," said Loblaw spokesperson Kevin Groh.

While click-and-collect is not well-known in Canada, the service is widely used in Europe and at some stores in the U.S., to service time-starved customers who don't have time to shop themselves.

In France, one in five shoppers report having used click-and-collect services from grocery chains, according to Canadian Grocer editor Rob Gerlsbeck. **TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE**

Let it go, let it go ...

Will Mattel let it go that Hasbro will make Frozen dolls?

The toy wars just got a bit colder thanks to Disney's Frozen, with Hasbro wrestling the rights for dolls from the hit movie away from rival Mattel. Hasbro Inc. announced that its new deal with Disney Consumer Products will give it global rights (with the exception of Japan) to develop dolls based on Frozen. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

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Report: U.S. treasury dept. still approving 'excessive' raises for GM executives

The U.S. Treasury Department has continued to approve "excessive" pay raises for top executives at General Motors and its former consumer finance arm, both of which received taxpayer-funded bailouts during the financial crisis, a new government report says.

The government watchdog that oversees the \$475-billion US bailout said Treasury approved cash salaries exceeding \$500,000 last year for 16 of the

47 top executives at General Motors Corp. and Ally Financial Inc. Treasury allowed total pay packages, including company stock, of at least \$1 million for every top executive at the two companies, according to the report released Wednesday by the special inspector general for the Troubled Asset Relief Program.

It said the government approved \$3 million in pay raises for nine GM executives.

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Sanctions. Canada is tough on Russia, but not when it comes to oil

against five Russian oil companies, compared to 13 firms targeted in that same sector by the U.S.

That's despite the fact that in its vast array of more than 175 sanctions targets, Canada has been as tough as the U.S.

— if not tougher — on other segments of Russian society, including private citizens, the defence industry, mining, and financial-services companies.

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Will we show our true patriot love for BlackBerry's Passport?

A journalist compares the new BlackBerry Passport device, right, to an existing Android device at the Passport's launch in Toronto on Wednesday. Whether you love BlackBerry or hate it, the Canadian smartphone maker is banking on its new Passport device to help reshape perception of the company in a highly competitive market. "We are determined to win back the Canadian home crowd," chief executive John Chen told the audience at the Toronto launch event on Wednesday. "If you guys don't support us, then you've got some problems," he joked. **CHRIS YOUNG/THE CANADIAN PRESS**

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GAME ON! THE FIVE STORYLINES OF '14-'15

The NHL is back after its traditional 12-day hiatus, and this season promises 353 days of excitement!

Will the Toronto Maple Leafs be terrible, or worse than that? Can the NHL's near-destitute players get by after a decade under the salary cap? And which lucky ticket holder will be the "100th fan" in Florida Panthers' history? With so much going on it seems like there's dozens of storylines in the 2014-15 season. But, no, there are five.

1. NHL to test rule banning players from crushing opponents' skulls: As it's picked up speed, hockey's had an alarming tendency to bend players' craniums like so many iPhone 6s. But this year new rules will ... Oh, nope, sorry, I've just learned the rules won't change because violence is "part of the game." What they've banned instead is the penalty-shot spin-o-rama, because that was fun, thereby contravening the terms of the collective bargaining agreement.



HE SAYS
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2. Gary Bettman sets goal to learn offside rule:

NHL commissioner Bettman has had his successes, yet his small-town charisma has never caught on with fans. Bettman says he's always loved the game, though, which is why this year his goal is to learn the rules. "The NHL is so fast, which is why I've never been able to figure out how the offside thing goes," he said. Bettman also said he hopes to stay to the very end of a game this year, provided traffic isn't bad.

3. Analytics debate to be settled in big game between jocks and nerds:

Everybody's got an opinion about "fancy stats," the popular analytics that measure things like shot attempts. Anti-fancies say the only important stat is the score, while pro-fancies look at the ice and see The Matrix, or the motorbike scene from TRON. Regardless, it will all be settled on the big, frozen lake near the tracks when The Nerds play The Jocks to settle this once and for all. Could it be the

one thing they forgot to measure was their love for the game?

4. Stanley Cup to stay in the U.S. Given the expense of ferrying the Stanley Cup between Canada's Hockey Hall of Fame and whichever American team has won it this season, the league's GMs agreed this summer that the cup will stay in America "where it belongs" until Canada can actually win the thing.

5. Given the major violence, steroid and racism scandals that have plagued the other major North American sports, Gary Bettman has promised that all the NHL's scandals will remain solidly on the playing surface. "Whether it's brutal violence, homophobic remarks or flagrant cheating, I can assure you that the NHL will keep these tactics on the ice where they belong," he said. Bettman added that, despite the scandals, everybody is involved in sports for the same reason: to make as much money as humanly possible.

Game on!

If only you'd practised at your Lego a bit more ...



A Lego sculpture at the Art of the Brick exhibition. Created from a million Lego bricks, the exhibit runs until January 2015. PETER MACDIARMID/GETTY IMAGES

The Art of the Brick exhibit created using a million blocks

The Art of the Brick exhibition has travelled the world showcasing artist Nathan Sawaya's Lego creations. On Friday it opens to the public in London, England.

There are more than 80 works in the exhibition that span Sawaya's entire career as a full-

time artist working in Lego, which he embarked upon following a previous career as a lawyer.

Sawaya has now been creating Lego artworks for seven years, although Lego has been a passion for him since the age of five.

His first large build was a sculpture of a dog he created when he was 10 after his parents refused to buy him a pet pooch.

Sections of the exhibition include Sawaya's oversized 3D

Homage

To celebrate its London arrival, the exhibition has a section dedicated to English culture.

- Among the British artifacts on show are a red tele-

phone box, a "Keep calm and build on" poster and two bands that showcase the best of British music in the past and today, in the form of The Beatles and — ahem — One Direction.

The Human Condition and Human Expressions contain more original artwork featuring sculptures involving the human form. WIRED.CO.UK

More interspecies love

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The video for Knock Knock is likely going to be your first experience with Ukrainian band Blondes Shoot Brunettes, but it'll be a memorable one. The song itself is standard coffee shop balladry, so, you know, *shrug*. But the video, which syncs the screens of more than a dozen cellphones, tablets and laptops to tell an interspecies love story, is a delight. (Brunettes Shoot Blondes/YouTube)



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Dan Mangan shares the spotlight with bandmates

New outlook. After a two-year break, the artist returns with a new name to recognize his band



After a two-year hiatus, Dan Mangan is back — with a new name. The two-time Juno Award-winning musician is forging ahead as Dan Mangan + Blacksmith.

The Vancouver singer-songwriter, who has released three studio albums under his own name, added Blacksmith to the equation to acknowledge his long-time band of John Walsh, Gordon Grdina, Kenton Loewen and, often, JP Carter, Tyson Naylor and Jesse Zubot.

"These guys have been playing with me for years and, when you're touring in a band and playing 150 to 200 shows a year, it's not just your time you're putting into it. You're also putting in a lot of your energy, passion and life force into this train that keeps going," says Mangan, 31.

"I felt for a long time I needed to honour that a bit more, and I think anyone that has been to our shows in the last few years probably felt like they were watching an ensemble, so it always felt strange to me that the only name on the marquee was Dan Mangan."

Although Mangan did take



Juno Award-winning Vancouver musician Dan Mangan and his band now go by Dan Mangan + Blacksmith. JONATHAN TAGGART

a two-year break from touring, he's been anything but idle. He and Blacksmith have been hard at work crafting a new album, with its title and release date to be announced.

Vessel, the album's first single, is featured in the soundtrack for *Hector and The Search For Happiness*, a new film starring Simon Pegg. Mangan composed the film's score.

Also, Mangan is a new dad. His actress wife, Kirsten Slenning, gave birth to their son, Jude, in spring 2013.

Unpredictably, having a son has made Mangan's music less soft and sentimental, with Vessel sounding far more aggressive than his previous folk-focused efforts.

"I feel like it's really important to stay current, and when I

say current, I don't even mean keeping up with other new music. I just mean keeping up with my stream of thought and not really putting too much focus or anxiety into keeping an audience," Mangan said. "I think whatever audience we have came because I trusted my gut at each step of the way so I'm just continuing to do that."

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BY MIKE MOORE, PRESIDENT, MANITOBA HOME BUILDERS' ASSOCIATION



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Mike Moore, President
Manitoba Home Builders' Association

Parade of Homes **VIEWING TIPS**

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- **Wear comfortable slip-on shoes:** Many neighbourhoods have multiple show homes, which means you'll probably park in one location and walk to all of the homes. Upon entering each home, you must take off your street shoes in order to tour. Given that some neighbourhoods have more than 10 homes open for viewing, a comfortable walking shoe that slips on and off easily is ideal.
- **Map a strategy:** If you have a particular destination in mind, look for additional homes to visit on the way. Many subdivisions are in close proximity to each other and it's easy to see a number of them on one tour.

- **Don't forget the one-offs:** Enjoy the variety in subdivisions with multiple homes, but don't miss the hidden gems in neighbourhoods that have only one Parade listing.
- **Talk to the agents:** Sales agents can fill you in on unique features, energy efficiencies and construction materials that make each home special.
- **Have fun:** You can visit as many show homes as you like, as often as you like. It doesn't matter if you're in the market for a new home or if you're just looking for life-size design inspiration. Take a friend, take your time, and have fun.

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Canadian connection

Boxtrolls is Canuck's directing debut

Ask Canadian illustrator Graham Annable how he landed his first big directing gig in stop-motion animation and he simply shrugs.

Each step toward his upcoming 3D feature *The Boxtrolls* has been an unpredictable sequence of happenstance, he insisted during a visit to Toronto this past spring. "I think back to when I graduated from (Oakville's) Sheridan (College) — which is over 20 years ago now — and the thought that I would be back in Toronto speaking about a stop-motion animated feature that I co-directed would never have entered my mind," Annable said. Annable logged a lot of hours as an animator at places including Chuck Jones Enterprises and George Lucas' video game company LucasArts, where he spent 10 years.

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When Ben Kingsley gets fired up ...

The Boxtrolls. The man also known as Gandhi isn't much of a pacifist when it comes to bad directors



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Metro World News in Hollywood

Here's a fun game: Sir Ben Kingsley has made a lot of films since Gandhi in 1982, but at least one of them was a terrible experience. So take a look at his IMDb page and guess which filmmaking experience was so toxic it prompted him to torch the screenplay. He's not saying which film it was.

"I actually burned the script," Kingsley says while promoting his latest film, the stop-motion animated film *Boxtrolls*, which we can rule out from being the offending production in question.

"I had a ceremonial burning of the script. The director was such an awful person who was so discourteous to the cast and so amateurish. It was a



The Boxtrolls opens this Friday in theatres. CONTRIBUTED

colossal waste of good energy and time. All actors want to do is please and get it right, and it was so difficult."

One way to avoid any repeats of such an experience? Taking matters into his own hands.

"I've created a production company with my wife. We've

got six films on our slate, and one of them is about a naval admiral," Kingsley says.

"I want to play a man in uniform. I've got tremendous respect for that life that they lead. We know so little about it. It's never discussed or talked about, when they come back from battle. I want to examine the choices that have to be made in those terrible times. That's one of the films on our slate."

And it will likely be a far cry from his *Boxtrolls* character, the devious Archibald Snatcher, who looks and sounds nothing like Kingsley himself. "My physicality on

screen — the puppet — is very unlike my own silhouette. The movement and the mannerisms that you see on screen are not human," he says. "I tried to echo that with stretching vowel sounds and my accent and playing with my voice, from a very relaxed starting point. I actually was lying down for most of my recordings."

While Kingsley only had a bit of voiceover work before *Boxtrolls*, he's got more lined up already, with Jon Favreau's take on *The Jungle Book*, requiring only Kingsley's voice.

"Mowgli is a real child, and he'll be surrounded by computer-generated animals," Kingsley says of the project, in which he'll play Bagheera the leopard.

"It will be my voice. That's what Jon wants. I offered him all sorts of different things, and even an Indian accent, but he said, 'No, I want your British voice.' This script is probably a lot closer to Kipling than the original Disney one was."

No word yet on whether he'll be doing this job lying down as well, but it's safe to say he won't torch the script.

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Bryan Cranston. Breaking Bad star tapped for film about China's Great Wall

Deadline reports that Bryan Cranston is in early negotiations with Legendary Pictures to co-star in *The Great Wall*, which is to be helmed by Chinese filmmaker Zhang Yimou.

According to the entertainment news site, the former *Breaking Bad* star could share the billing with Matt Damon, who is also reportedly in talks to join the film.

The feature, which has been aiming to get off the ground at Legendary Pictures for years, will explore the origins of the famous Chinese landmark.

First erected to protect the Chinese Empire's borders starting around the 5th century BC, the Great Wall has been demolished and rebuilt several times since then.

Originally, the feature was slated to be directed by Edward Zwick (*Love & Other Drugs*, *Defiance*) and to star Henry Cavill (*Man of Steel*). The filmmaker ultimately backed out of the project to direct *Pawn Sacrifice*, a movie on the chess champion Bobby Fischer with Tobey Maguire in the title role.

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Second baby Bell doesn't stress actress

Kristen Bell says she's much more comfortable during her second pregnancy — not just because she has a better idea of what to expect, but because she's no longer trailed by paparazzi.

The actress established the No Kids Policy earlier this year that saw stars unite to withhold interviews from outlets that published photos of celebrity children without parental permission. With a spate of A-list signees to the policy, entertainment news outlets quickly curbed their practice of showing such images.

"I feel a lot safer because I'm not followed at all now," Bell said.

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How to find the happy bits in life

Hector and the Search for Happiness. Simon Pegg and Rosamund Pike talk about fame, fortune, and why it doesn't always bring contentment

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In the new film *Hector and the Search for Happiness*, Simon Pegg plays the title character, a psychologist with a tidy, uneventful existence.

He shares his predictable and safe life with Clara (Rosamund Pike), an ad agency writer who creates names for pharmaceuticals. They chug along happily until one day Hector snaps and sets out on an archaeological dig of sorts, to discover what happiness means to people.

"With this film," says Pegg, "people will often flipantly say, 'He lives with Ros-

amund Pike, he's got a nice house...' which so misses the point. You can have all that stuff. The point is we take the least sympathetic demographic on the face of this earth, the white upper middle class male and say, 'He has a problem.' It just goes to show that if he can be there and be unhappy then anybody can be unhappy."

When asked if show biz success is a recipe for happiness both Pegg and Pike chime in.

"It's a question I have been asked," says Pike. "Fame and money, surely they are the ingredients to a happy life? The point is we keep sadly seeing that unless you are happy before you get those things it's not a recipe for happiness."

"Not to bring it up in a facile way," says Pegg, "but Robin Williams' death is an indication of that."

"I find for me I have to be happy in my real life, in the real world, and if I'm happy there I can be happy elsewhere and can enjoy this job. I've been desperately

unhappy while working. I remember when I went to L.A. to do *Mission Impossible III* I wasn't in a great place and I got there and I remember thinking to myself, 'I'm in a film with Tom Cruise and yet I'm unhappy.'

"It was an epiphany for me."

"Obviously the idea of a successful career is that you look like a swan gliding and nobody sees the paddling duck feet," says Pike, "but they're definitely there. I think the message of the film is 'You can't really know happiness unless you are prepared to embrace life with everything it throws at you.' The unhappiness too.

"When you go through something horrific in your life, loss or death or illness or whatever, people say this will make you stronger and you think, 'Oh sod off,' but of course it does.

"It makes you appreciate things in the future more and you do feel happier for having been through the bad times."



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Eva Mendes and Ryan Gosling. ALL PHOTOS GETTY IMAGES

Are all non-Gosling babies jealous of Ryan's kid?

And now, the latest on new parents Eva Mendes and Ryan Gosling. It's been nearly two weeks since the couple welcomed their new daughter, and apparently the whole thing is taking some getting used to.

"They're both great, but

exhausted," a source tells E! News. "They know it's going to be a little while before the baby adjusts to a schedule."

Gosling, for his part, is reportedly "infatuated with the baby," making all other babies in the world seethe with jealousy.

Dr. Dre rakes in \$620M just by covering your ears

The headphone business has been very good to Dr. Dre.

The producer and former N.W.A. member has topped Forbes magazine's 2014 list of highest-paid hip-hop acts, pulling in a staggering \$620 million, thanks mostly to Apple's purchase of the Beats by Dre headphone line.

That's more than the income of the next 24 artists on the list combined. Jay Z and Diddy share second place, each at \$60 million, followed by Drake at \$33 million.



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One Direction just keep on over-sharing

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It's hard to imagine that there's anything left to reveal about One Direction, especially after having the start of their career heavily documented on a reality show, being the subject of a Morgan Spurlock-directed documentary and being

incessant over-sharers on social media.

But, just in case, there's now a book coming out. The five guys have "written" an "autobiography" called Who We Are that promises "an unprecedented insight into all of it, from their humble beginnings and lives before the X Factor, to recording their first single, touring the world, winning awards, breaking records, and much, much more."

We're putting this one right on the shelf next to Kim Kardashian's book of discarded selfie attempts.

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amazing & inspiring.



Paulina Gretzky

Paulina belly pic confirms Gretzky will be a grandpa

The Great One is going to be a grandfather. Wayne Gretzky's daughter Paulina announced Tuesday on her Instagram account that she and fiancé, pro golfer Dustin Johnson, are expecting

their first child. The 25-year-old posted a photo of herself

cradling her belly, with the caption: @djohnsonpga & i are so excited to finally share with you all our amazing news..we're having a baby!!"

Younger brother Trevor Gretzky, a minor-leaguer in the Los Angeles Angels' organization, followed up by tweeting "Uncle Trev" along with the same photo.

It's the first grandchild for the hockey legend and his wife Janet, who have five children. Paulina is the oldest. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

Walking the online runway

Media's models. The maker of Kate Moss explains social media's ever-growing effect on the fashion world

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Gone are the days when models, like Victorian children, were seen and not heard. Nowadays their social media following on Twitter and Instagram can be as fiscally valuable as their face and figure.

Sarah Doukas, founder of agency Storm Models, explains that "there are girls who have huge followings, so we have to monetize that with a client. We've had to teach them because they would come to us and say, 'It's an advertising job.' We would say, 'What do you mean advertising? Is it e-commerce?' They would hide under the table and it wouldn't mean anything to them but now it should be monetized in a big way. It's a big element."

Cara Delevingne's flock of Twitter followers numbers almost two million, while her Instagram account is just shy of seven million.

The 22-year-old's audience reach rivals that of the big brands such as Burberry, Pepe Jeans and Mulberry for whom she models and subsequently markets for, thanks to her candid behind-the-scenes social media sharing.

"I remember being horrified a couple of years ago when she was in Paris and watching on our computers as Cara was mobbed out-



Want to get to know Cara Delevingne better? Scan this photo with your Metro News app to see what this social media star has got in her handbag. GETTY IMAGES

side a show by the general public and not by the paparazzi. And I was like, 'God Almighty, this is extraordinary, this cannot be happening,'" exclaims Doukas from her glass-walled office.

Inevitably, Delevingne's clickable antics in entering into the public interest — or rather the interest of the public — creates a ready stream of gossip-fuelled picture stories of bleary-eyed partying or even a snap of

the starlet sinking her teeth into model and bestie Jourdan Dunn's butt at the recent GQ Awards.

But Delevingne, who not only survived tabloid accusations of dropping a cocaine baggie outside her London home last year, is in even greater demand with her ineffable mix of disarming charisma and zany ADHD childlessness. It's her USP (unique selling point). "When she was four



Sarah Doukas
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years old, she was always an unbelievable mile-a-minute jumping bean. I said, 'She will never be tall enough' but I did always think she would act," reminisces Doukas. Of course, she was right.

Then again, the maker of industry greats has a knack for spotting a marketable quirk.

It's a calculated gamble that saw Australian model Andrej Pejic — now known as Andreja after sexual reassignment surgery — added to the women's and Storm artists boards.

"From the minute I saw Andrej (as she was then), I embraced him as a per-

Grabbing a game-changer

- Sarah Doukas is known for having spotted a 14-year-old Kate Moss in New York's JFK Airport in 1988. Moss was only 170 cm (short by industry standards) and might have been overlooked by a stickler for runway uniformity.

Instagram explosion

"I was like, 'God Almighty, this is extraordinary, this cannot be happening.'"

Sarah Doukas on Cara Delevingne's remarkable rise to fame

son because not only was he tremendously beautiful looking but she is also tremendously bright — she is extraordinary," states the scout.

Pejic has since closed the Jean Paul Gaultier show and walked for designers such as Christian Dior and Marc Jacobs, with plans to move into the acting world.

However, Doukas, who set up the agency in 1987, chides the industry for its lack of inclusivity in terms of race and gender diversity.

"I just don't think we have enough diversity."

Designers are still reluctant to move away from the Caucasian esthetic that dominates the runways, although the fashion month cities (New York, London, Milan and Paris) are starting to cast more Asian models.

"It's what they think will sell," remarks Doukas.

She explains that it's the simple fact that the industry comes down to sales that empowers the public both as consumers of fashion and social media to drive the change away from runway and high-street homogeneity.

Doukas believes that "when you get back to the power of social media and if someone like Andreja Pejic can become a voice with all these followers, then brands will be forced to embrace her, or whoever."

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HOMES



Canadian street style

Spotted in: Toronto

Name: Lauren

Age: 30

Occupation: Owner and designer of floral design company Timberlost & Humblebound

What she's wearing:

All Toronto vintage finds. Black dress

from Mama Loves You, hat from Gadabout Vintage, shoes from Penny Arcarde and Coach bag.

Her inspiration:

"Whimsical and ethereal pieces; classic accents; 1950s femininity; Motorcycle babes; dark and jewel tones."

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Trends Report



Women have many one-piece outfit options, such as dresses and jumpsuits, so it was only a matter of time before someone created a onesie business suit for men. Go online to Trends Report to learn more about The Suitsy, and why I think it's a genius invention.

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Husband swept off his feet by a trio of tiny robotic cleaners



Come clean: We know you're curious. Scan this photo with your Metro News app to watch a video of iRobot's vacuum cleaning robot Roomba in action. CONTRIBUTED

Bah! Roomba!

iRobot's dust- and dirt-devouring gadgets delight skeptical hubby

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My wife is an electronics junkie. If it whizzes, beeps, whirrs and the lights blink, she has to have it.

In this case, them.

We are now the proud surrogate parents of Roomba 880, Scooba 450 and, the runt of the litter, Braava 380t — we just couldn't split up the kids — the latest generation of iRobot floor cleaners.

As with all things electronic, my wife leaves the boxes where I am most likely to trip over them on the off chance I might "hook them up." This process does not eliminate her inherent wealth of knowledge on how

they work, how they will be implemented and who will maintain them because "she's seen the video." With this logic she can launch the space shuttle.

I work from home, so I gave in, released the kids from their containers and put them in their respective charging stations.

But truth alert here: I was skeptical.

iRobot has designed these little WALL-Es to do exactly what WALL-E did — clean. In this case, not quite a derelict asteroid but our small tumbledown home. Roomba vacuums, Scooba washes and Braava mops.

Roomba on a roll

Fully charged, I freed Roomba from its docking station. Off he goes in random patterns, under the couches, between chair legs, on rugs, off rugs — he just doesn't quit. I set him close to a set of stairs and he has sensors

that won't let him leap to his death. You can control him from his touch pad or from an included remote control.

Although I'm not familiar with his language, I'm pretty sure beep-beep was a call for help when he managed to get stuck under a chair.

"Help" and then he just shut down and waited for me to release him. He can be scheduled to clean at a prescribed time and will park himself when he's done — a trait he will eventually teach my wife.

Scooba do

Scooba is my new best friend. She allows you to determine the room size — "I will now clean a small room, OK?" she declares.

Then off she goes, executing a series of pirouettes and then criss-crossing the floor, laying down the cleaning solution and then sucking it all up.

When she's done she gives

herself a couple of shakes, then stops. When you lift her up she states, "I've cleaned a small room. Would you like me to clean another room?" And, "Please empty my dirty water container."

Braava bravo

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Virtual Wall lighthouses guide Roomba and Scooba through room-to-room cleaning while Virtual Wall barriers confine the kids to a specific room or area.

After a week, I can tell you, these guys pick up a lot of stuff. The Roomba container looks like it manufactured its own fur ball and was only usurped by Scooba's liquid waste. I think she cleaned my driveway.

We will be bonding on a weekly basis.

For more information, go to iRobot.com.

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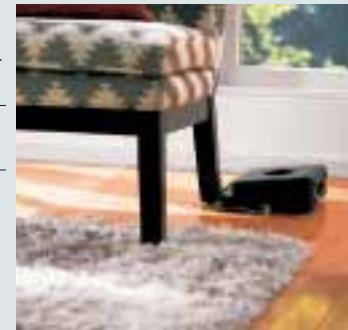
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A bonding experience

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was better than the others but that was only a small part of what made our shopping there so different. They just seemed to understand what we were asking for and gave us sensible/affordable options. All the other stores wanted to 'sell' us something. The Floor Show listened and gave us what we needed."



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Tips for fall supper success

Dish it up. How to make sure you don't leave one hungry



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It's fall supper season in these parts, a cultural hoopla every bit as Manitoban as going to a social or sharing a photo of the fish you just caught. For first-timers, here are a few tips to help you make the most of this delicious time of year.

Where are they?

You're going to have to do some sleuthing to find a fall supper near you. Check grocery store bulletin boards (if your community still has them). Pay a visit to nearby community halls and look for notices. One of the best sources is put together by Orest Kinasevych. <http://kinasevych.ca/2014/06/17/manitoba-fall-suppers-2014/>.

When do they happen?

Fall suppers begin as early as mid September and run until mid-November. The sweet spot of suppers seems to be the third week in October.

Do I need a ticket?

Advanced tickets are mandatory. Organizers need



Pile your plate as high as you can, go back for seconds and then get pie at one of Manitoba's iconic fall suppers. **SHEL ZOLKEWICH/FOR METRO**

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Ultimate fusion of hearty tastes

Tomato Soup With Spaghetti And Chicken Meatballs. This dish is so easy all you have to decide is fork or spoon

1. Heat the oil in a large saucepan over medium heat. Add the onion and cook for 2-3 minutes, stirring, until softened. Add the garlic and tomato paste and cook, stirring, for a further 1 minute. Add the tomatoes and 2 1/2 cups (625 ml) of the chicken stock. Bring to the boil, then reduce the heat to low and simmer for 20 minutes while you make the meatballs.

2. For the meatballs, place the remaining 2 1/2 cups (625 ml) chicken stock in a saucepan and bring to the boil. Squeeze the sausage meat from the cas-

Ingredients

- 1 tbsp olive oil
- 1 onion, thinly sliced
- 2 garlic cloves, finely chopped
- 1 tbsp tomato paste
- 2 x 400 g cans chopped tomatoes
- 1.25 l (5 cups) chicken stock
- 500 g thin chicken sausages
- 100 g spaghetti, broken into 5 cm lengths
- Chopped basil, grated
- Parmesan and crusty bread, to serve



This recipe serves four to six. ©BRETT STEVENS AND IAN WALLACE

ings and form into about 30 small (3 cm) meatballs. Add meatballs to the stock and simmer for 10 minutes until cooked through. Remove meatballs to a plate with a slotted spoon, then return stock to the boil. Add the spaghetti and cook until al dente. Drain, dis-

carding the stock.

3. Use a stick blender to blend the soup until smooth (or blend in batches in a blender, then return to the pan). Add the cooked spaghetti and meatballs to the soup and warm through gently for 5 minutes over low

heat. Ladle the soup into bowls, garnish with basil and Parmesan, then serve with your favourite crusty bread.

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Appetizer. French Goat Cheese Dip

"I'm a fan of goat's cheese, but if you're not, cream cheese works equally well

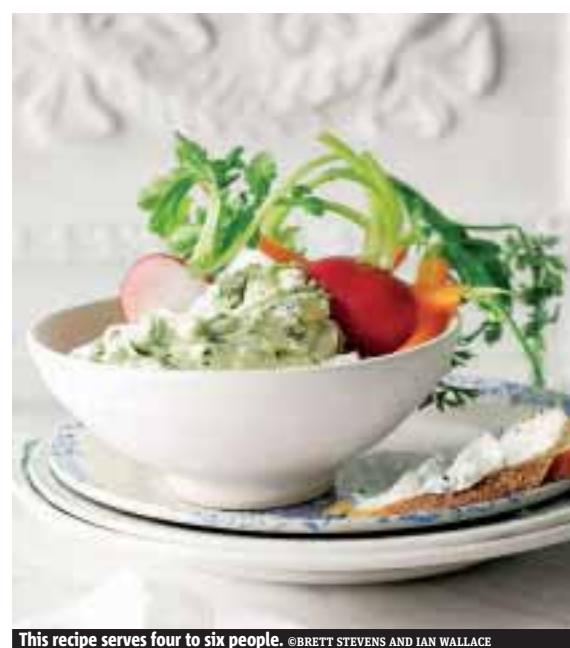
in this recipe," writes Valli Little in *Faking It*. "This dip can be used as a stuffing for

roast chicken, too. Simply create a pocket between the skin and the breast, then carefully place the cheese mixture under the skin."

1. Place the goat cheese, vinegar, wine, oil, garlic, parsley and chives in a bowl with some sea salt and freshly ground black pepper. Beat well with a fork (or process in a food processor) until smooth, then serve with crusty bread and vegetables to dip.

Ingredients

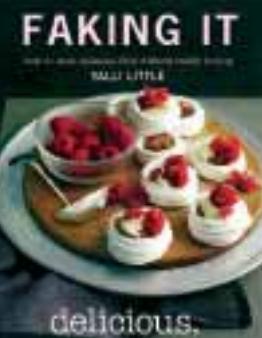
- 300 g soft goat cheese
- 1 tbsp white wine vinegar
- 1 tbsp dry white wine
- 2 tbsp extra virgin olive oil
- 2 garlic cloves, crushed
- 2 tbsp finely chopped flat-leaf parsley
- 2 tbsp chopped chives
- Baby (Dutch) carrots, celery sticks, radishes and crusty bread, to serve



This recipe serves four to six people. ©BRETT STEVENS AND IAN WALLACE

Cookbook of the Week

Delicious (and effortless) dining



Time and ideas are things on which many cooks find themselves short.

Faking It by Valli Little is here to help, whether you need to make fast mid-week dinners or impressive dishes for entertaining.

The book focuses on recipes that require only a few ingredients and is filled with clever shortcuts as well. **METRO**

NHL

Oilers down Jets in pre-season action

The Edmonton Oilers looked lost for half a pre-season game Wednesday night, but Ryan Nugent-Hopkins' goal midway through the second period sparked them to a 3-2 win over the Winnipeg Jets.

It was Edmonton's second pre-season win. The Jets are now 1-1.

TJ Galiardi and Matt Halischuk scored for the Jets.

Galiardi got things started on a breakaway off a long pass from Will O'Neill and beat Laurent Brossoit at 14:09. Jets forward Evander Kane had a breakaway as well in the first and earned a penalty shot on a hook but hit the crossbar. Wednesday night was the debut of the Kane, Mark Scheifele and Blake Wheeler line.

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Staying alive

Cleveland's dream lives on with win over Royals

Yan Gomes hit a three-run homer, Michael Brantley got three more hits and Cleveland stayed in the AL wild-card chase for at least one more day with a 6-4 win over the Kansas City Royals on Wednesday night.

A loss would have eliminated Cleveland, but after blowing a 3-0 lead, they rallied to within 3-1/2 games of Kansas City and Oakland in the wild-card standings with four days left in the regular season.

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Go to metronews.ca for further coverage of the MLB playoff chase.



The Yankees' Derek Jeter reacts after striking out against the Orioles on Wednesday in New York. JIM MCISAAC/GETTY IMAGES

Mr. November won't get past September

End of the line. Jeter goes 0-for-4 as Bronx Bombers eliminated from post-season contention by Orioles

All that's left for Derek Jeter to do is say goodbye.

Right now, though, the captain is still stewing over a lost season.

New York was eliminated from playoff contention Wednesday, wasting a three-run lead in a 9-5 loss to Nelson Cruz and the AL East cham-

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pion Baltimore Orioles.

"It's tough. It's what you play for. It's a rough feeling," Jeter said.

Jeter went 0-for-4 as the designated hitter in his next-to-last home game, ending a seven-game hitting streak and dropping his average to .253.

The Yankees (81-77) missed the playoffs in consecutive years for the first time since 1992 and 1993. The only other time New York did not play in the post-season during the retiring captain's 20-season big-league career was in 2008.

"It's disappointing. It's frustrating," Yankees manager Joe Girardi said. "This is not where you want to be at this time of year."

When Jeter is lauded by fans Thursday night — should the forecasted rain hold off — for a career that included five of New York's 27 World Series titles, he will be playing his first game in the Bronx that

has no implications on his team's playoff chances. (Jeter was out with an injury last year).

"For the guys that are coming back and the team that plays, it's a feeling you shouldn't like and you shouldn't want to get used to," Jeter said.

Cruz had two of his four singles and slugger Adam Jones a safety squeeze in a six-run fourth for Baltimore, which is trying to overtake the Los Angeles Angels for the AL's best record and home-field advantage throughout the post-season.

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Stewart free from charges in Ward's death



Ontario County district attorney Michael Tantillo announces Wednesday that a grand jury had decided not to bring criminal charges against Tony Stewart. LAUREN PETRACCA/DEMOCRAT & CHRONICLE/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Three-time NASCAR champion Tony Stewart will not be charged with the death of a fellow driver at a sprint car race in upstate New York, prosecutors said Wednesday in disclosing for the first time that the victim had enough marijuana in his system the night he died to impair his judgment.

Ontario County district attorney Michael Tantillo said a grand jury decided against charging Stewart with either second-degree manslaughter or criminally negligent homicide in the Aug. 9 death of

Not quite over

Kevin Ward Jr.'s family said in a statement that "this matter is not at rest" and they'll "pursue all remedies."

Kevin Ward Jr., who was struck and killed as he walked down the track in an apparent attempt to confront the NASCAR veteran after their cars got tangled up one lap earlier.

Tantillo also said two videos — one from a fan, the other

from the tiny track — had been examined and enhanced. Both showed Stewart did not do anything wrong and that there was no "aberrational driving."

The decision came nearly seven weeks after Stewart's car struck and killed Ward, sending shock waves through the top racing series in the United States.

"This has been the toughest and most emotional experience of my life, and it will stay with me forever," Stewart said in a prepared statement.

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SPORTS



Status update: City still real good

Man City's Frank Lampard takes a selfie with a supporter after scoring twice in Wednesday's 7-0 League Cup win over Sheffield United in Manchester, England. Scan the image with your Metro News app for more League Cup and European soccer action. **MICHAEL STEELE/GETTY IMAGES**



Ryder Cup. Will Fergie's 'trance' work for Europe?

Just in case Rory McIlroy needed any more motivation to beat the United States in the Ryder Cup, he found the right man to fire him up.

McIlroy said he was in a "trance" as the Europe team received a pep talk from Alex Ferguson, who guided Manchester United to 13 Premier League titles and is considered Britain's greatest soccer manager.

The No. 1-ranked McIlroy, a United supporter who showed off the claret jug — the British Open trophy — at Old Trafford last month, sounded like a starstruck kid.

"I was just sitting there and looking up at him and I didn't take my eyes off him," the four-time major winner said on Wednesday, two days before Europe starts its defence of the Ryder Cup at Gleneagles in Scotland. "I was sort of in this trance just listening to everything that he was saying."

Accepting expectations



"We've played well this year. It's not something we should shy away from. It's something that we should embrace." Rory McIlroy on Europe being slight favourites at this year's Ryder Cup

Ferguson, a Scot who retired last year after 26 seasons at United, spoke to the Europe team for about 30 minutes on Tuesday night.

Ferguson spoke about how his teams thrived as favourites, turning Old Trafford into a fortress. He said Europe should feel the same in Scotland.

"He talked a bit about that. We're slight favourites for a reason," McIlroy said.

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Junior hockey. American standout not focusing on comparisons to Canuck phenom McDavid

Connor McDavid and Jack Eichel have been compared in hockey circles for years. Only one of them can be the No. 1 pick in the 2015 NHL draft but their careers will probably be forever linked.

But besides the hype, they've met on the ice but never talked.

"I don't really know him," Eichel said of McDavid. "I'm sure we'll meet along the way."

McDavid and Eichel are on course to meet at the world junior championship Dec. 31 in Montreal when Canada faces the U.S. And they'll be mentioned together on the road to the draft.

The comparisons will continue long after that, but for now Eichel is trying to drown them out. While McDavid chose a third season with the OHL's Erie Otters, Eichel will be a freshman at Boston University.

"I just try to concentrate on what I can control and myself," Eichel said Wednesday in Buffalo where he'll play in USA Hockey's All-American Pros-

pects Game Thursday. "There's going to be comparisons wherever you go. I just try to focus on myself and making sure I'm doing the right things and trying to get better."

Eichel, who turns 18 in late October, said college hockey is a "perfect fit" for him. The North Chelmsford, Mass., native isn't worried about passing up on junior and its busier, more professional-style schedule.

"That just means more time in the weight room, getting stronger," Eichel said. "You're playing against bigger, stronger, older guys.... I think that was what I needed to do to take my development to the next level."

Eichel's game is already at the next level or else he wouldn't be getting compared to McDavid. He had almost two points a game while with the U.S. National Team Development Program last season.

The six-foot-two, 194-pound centre said he thinks every area of his game could use some polishing but if he develops along the same path, he'll justify the attention he's getting.

Eichel is someone whose presence can "raise all the players around him," according to USA Hockey's Jim Johannson.

"To be No. 1, obviously, it's in anyone's competitive nature to be No. 1," Eichel said of the possibility of being the NHL's top pick next summer. "You dream about that your whole life. So if I sat here and told you that I didn't want to be in the No. 1 pick, I think I'd be lying, because I do. But I'm not going to lose sleep on it."

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Massachusetts native Jack Eichel, top, and Newmarket, Ont., product Connor McDavid are early favourites to be picked early at the 2015 NHL draft.

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\$70M deal. Bledsoe, Suns agree to five-year pact

The Phoenix Suns and point guard Eric Bledsoe have reached agreement on a five-year, \$70-million contract, capping a long, sometimes-tense negotiation to keep him in the desert.

The deal Wednesday is considerably more than the four-year, \$48 million the Suns initially offered but well below the five-year, \$80-million-plus maximum contract Bledsoe's agent, Rich Paul, sought for the restricted free agent. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**



The contract dispute between the Suns and guard Eric Bledsoe is over. GETTY IMAGES

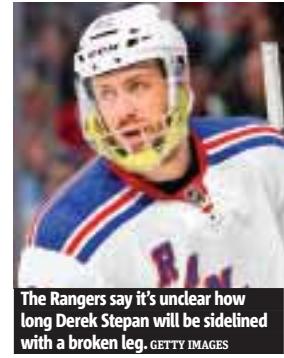
Too soon? Stepan takes two steps back with break

New York Rangers centre Derek Stepan has broken his lower left leg during a conditioning drill.

The 24-year-old Stepan missed a scrimmage on Sunday and pre-season game on Monday with a leg injury.

After several X-rays, he was cleared to take part in fitness testing on Wednesday.

Rangers coach Alain Vigneault says Stepan got hurt despite three X-rays and "feeling really good the last 48 hours." **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**



The Rangers say it's unclear how long Derek Stepan will be sidelined with a broken leg. GETTY IMAGES

Next One? No. 99 goes from Great One to grandpa

The Great One is going to be a grandfather.

Wayne Gretzky's daughter Paulina announced Tuesday on her Instagram account that she and pro golfer fiancée Dustin Johnson are expecting their first child.

The 25-year-old posted a photo of herself cradling her belly, with the caption: "@djohnsonpga & I are so excited to finally share with you all our amazing news... we're having a baby!!" **THE CANADIAN PRESS**



Paulina Gretzky is the oldest of Wayne and Janet Gretzky's five children. GETTY IMAGES

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♈ Aries

March 21 - April 20

Uranus in your sign can at times make you feel a bit tense but today's link to Jupiter, planet of good fortune, will chill you out no end. Partners and loved ones will see the difference in your attitude, and respond in kind.

♉ Taurus

April 21 - May 21

There is a rational explanation for everything that happens but sometimes things happen that make you wonder if there is not more going on. Keep your mind open over the next 24 hours.

♊ Gemini

May 22 - June 21

A wonderful aspect between the heavyweight planets Jupiter and Uranus means you are in tune with the spirit of the times, so find fun in everything you do.

♋ Cancer

June 22 - July 23

The choices you make over the next few days will have a major impact on your social or professional reputation, so make them wisely.

♌ Leo

July 24 - Aug. 23

Something you said a while ago was taken out of context and a rival is now using it against you. Set the record straight today.

♍ Virgo

Aug. 24 - Sept. 23

If you try to talk your way out of trouble today chances are you won't succeed. If, however, you admit you made a mistake, you will be forgiven with no questions asked.

♎ Libra

Sept. 24 - Oct. 23

You may seem calm and on the outside but deep down you fear the worst. Whatever has you worried will be out of your life by the end of the day.

♏ Scorpio

Oct. 24 - Nov. 22

Domestic and work arrangements may change at a moment's notice today, but that's OK. You are adaptable enough to change with them and make it all seem effortless.

♐ Sagittarius

Nov. 23 - Dec. 21

You may recently have lost something of value but what you gain over the next few days will more than make up for it.

♑ Capricorn

Dec. 22 - Jan. 20

Partnership problems may be causing you concern but don't fear. Certain relationships have fallen into a rut and need to be revitalized. What is painful in the short-term will be useful in the long-term.

♒ Aquarius

Jan. 21 - Feb. 19

Uranus, your ruler, is brilliantly aligned with luck planet Jupiter today, so how can you possibly lose? You can't, so decide what you most want to do then give it your best shot. You'll succeed.

♓ Pisces

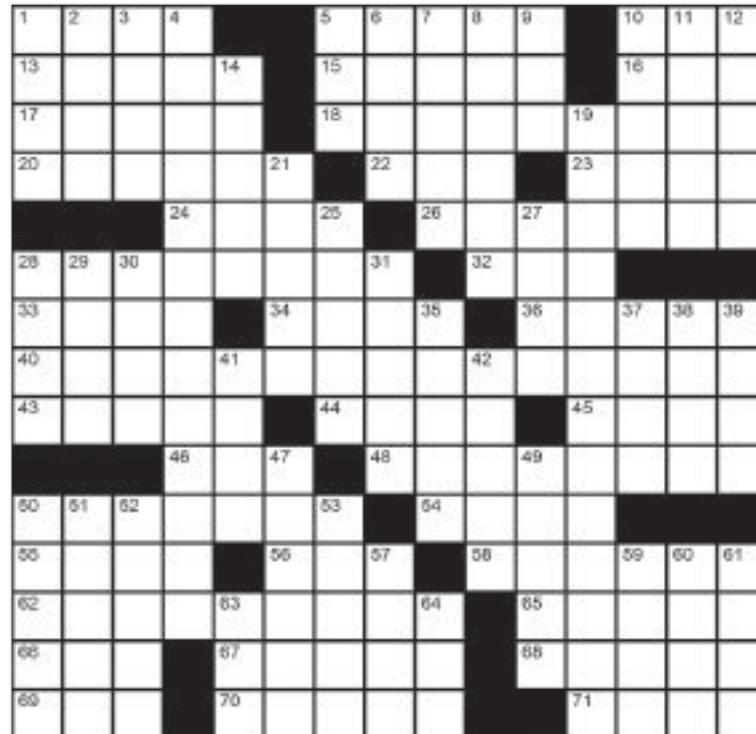
Feb. 20 - March 20

The planets suggest you are about to make a momentous decision. But are you making it for the right reasons? Make sure you answer that question first.

Crossword: Canada Across and Down by Kelly Ann Buchanan

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- Get an ' ' effort
- Impede, in law
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- French novelist Victor, and surnamesakes
- Scenic suffix to 'Sea'
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- Lady Gaga hit: 2 wds.
- Capital of Argentina, __ Aires
- Montreal 1976: Nadia's number
- Demonstration disturbance
- Welsh actor Mr. Gruffudd
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- Pinnacles
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- Queens __ (Street in Toronto's waterfront)
- Mary __ (Cosmetics company)
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- Restrictive
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- Vancouver neighbourhood
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- Story" (1995), et al.
- East: French
- Gin and __
- Cater to
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- " __ Away" (2002) starring Madonna
- Artist Ms. Bonheur (b.1822 - d.1899)



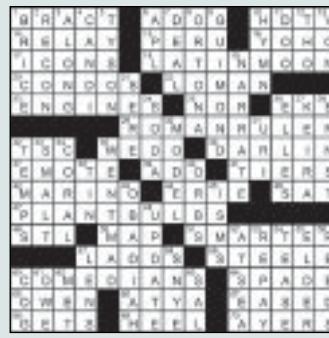
Down

- Captain in 1956's "Moby Dick"
- Particular pufferfish
- S-shaped moulding
- Rocker from Arkansas, an Honorary Officer of the Order of Canada: 2 wds.
- Second sight,

shortly

- Glaswegian
- Census __
- Premiered
- For each
- Madrid's locale
- Tie type
- Cuts out sugar, perhaps
- Brownstone

Yesterday's Crossword



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How to play
Fill in the grid, so that every row, every column and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1-9. There is no math involved.

Yesterday's Sudoku

4	1	9	7	6	2	3	5	8
6	8	2	3	6	1	9	4	7
3	7	5	8	9	4	2	1	6
9	6	7	5	2	3	4	8	1
1	3	4	6	7	8	5	9	2
2	5	8	4	1	9	6	7	3
5	2	3	1	4	7	8	6	9
8	4	1	9	3	6	7	2	5
7	9	6	2	8	5	1	3	4

7		9	5		6
3		7	2		1
8				7	
6	8	1	3		
3				5	
7	6	9	8		
1				6	
7	3	6	4		2
5	4	8			

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stairway
19. St. Boniface, Winnipeg's __
21. Anwar __ (Former Egyptian President)
25. __ __ added (Restaurant declaration)
27. Equipment
28. Tiny terms
29. High society, __ monde
30. Prefix meaning 'Outer'
31. Toronto-born pianist Glenn
35. Bungle
37. "Start __" by The Rolling Stones
38. 'E' in QED
39. Some beans [var. sp]
41. Shipshape
42. Actor Buddy
47. " __ Submarine" by The Beatles
49. Monetary units in Oman
50. Tastes
51. __ Setter (Woof!)
52. Not shiny, as foundation
53. "Cheers" character
57. Cut
59. Tunesmith Laura
60. Composer Mr. Berlin, et al.
61. On the Atlantic
63. " __ about time!"
64. Sept.'s follower

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